

**Transportation/Public Works Committee Meeting  
Wednesday, February 17, 2009  
3:05 P.M.  
Third Floor, City Hall**

<b>Present:</b>	<b>Chair:</b>	CW Hamilton
	<b>Members:</b>	CM Benson, CW Ward-Pugh, CM Unseld, CM Johnson (In - 3:12, Out – 3:27), CM Peden (Out – 3:26)
<b>Absent:</b>		CM Engel (excused)
<b>Also Present:</b>		Bob Henderson

Chairwoman Hamilton began the meeting by announcing the members of the committee that were present. A quorum was established.

## Pending Legislation

R-22-01-10 A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE ENACTMENT OF LEGISLATION AMENDING KRS CHAPTER 65 TO PERMIT THE CREATION OF REGIONAL WASTEWATER COMMISSIONS.

<b>Status:</b>	In-Committee
<b>Committee:</b>	Transportation/Public Works
<b>Primary Sponsor:</b>	Tina Ward-Pugh Stuart Benson

Motion to approve made by Tina Ward-Pugh and seconded by Stuart Benson.

**Discussion:** Bud Schardein, MSD, was present to speak to the item. The following was discussed:

- CW Ward-Pugh and CM Benson representatives on the Wet Weather Team
- Regional treatment plant on Salt River at Ft. Knox
- Elimination of waste problem in some areas
- Currently MSD can enter into inter local agreements with entities outside of Jefferson County to extend service
  - Cumbersome process
- Regional utility around Jefferson County
  - Conforming to the natural geographical outlay of the area
    - Watersheds
  - Surrounding counties
  - Financed, operated and managed by a non-profit public utility
    - Similar to MSD
  - Participation voluntary
  - Seed money provided by EPA
- Good example of a regional utility is Allegheny County Sanitary Authority (ALCOSAN)
- Need for a regional solution
  - Water quality standards will continue to be more stringent
  - Growth
- House Bill 221 passed out Committee in Frankfort on February 17, 2010; it now goes to the full House
- Benefit to MSD customer
  - Too early to tell if there will be a difference in bills
  - Easier solution for Jeffersonstown Wastewater Treatment Plant
    - Big part of the Federal Consent Decree
  - Water quality improvements throughout the County
  - Provide infrastructure for growth

By voice vote, this item was approved and sent to the **Consent Calendar**.

### **Flood and Grant Study Update**

Bud Schardein, Brian Bingham and Justin Gray, all from MSD, were present to speak and a PowerPoint presentation was given. The following was discussed:

- History of Combined Sewer System and Area Flooding
- Areas in the Combined System that are prone to flooding
  - Based on field inspections, history, customer calls and files
  - Not completely delineated
  - Areas that need to be investigated because they have the potential for grant funding to allow property owners to move
- MSD has committed at least \$500,000 to the process of identifying these areas and proving the state and federal governments with enough information to declare the areas eligible for grant funding
- Long term benefit of relocation
  - Effect on the Consent Decree
  - Urban green spaces
- Long term control plan submitted to the EPA
- Outreach to customers
  - Plumbing Modification Program
  - Information packet for customers in flood prone areas
  - Flood insurance
    - Available even if not in a mapped FEMA flood plain
    - Federal insurance program
    - Floodsmart.gov
- Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
  - Voluntary program
  - What funding covers
  - Cost share between Federal (75%), State (12%) and Local (MSD, 13%)
  - Deed restriction placed on the property
  - About 2,100 single family residential structures in Council Districts 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 15
  - How structures qualify
    - FEMA Benefit/Cost methodology
- Pursuing all available grant funding
  - September 2008 wind storm
  - January 2009 Ice Storm
  - August 2009 Flood
  - Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant
- Pilot areas that hope to submit grant applications for
  - Maple Street – 127 properties
  - Larkwood Avenue near 34<sup>th</sup> Street– 46 properties

Due to time restraints the Chair asked MSD to come back at a later date to continue this discussion. Mr. Schardein stated that they would be happy to come at the Committee's convenience to continue the discussion and would also be willing to come on periodic basis as they move further into this process.

R-167-08-09 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR'S SIGNATURE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET CONCERNING A \$973,900.00 GRANT FOR A RIVER ROAD CORRIDOR BICYCLE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT (STATE PO NUMBER PO2-628-0900022397).

**Status:** In-Committee  
**Committee:** Transportation/Public Works  
**Primary Sponsor:** Tom Owen

**Discussion:** This item remained **HELD** in Committee.

Chairwoman Hamilton stated that Jim Host would be at the March 3<sup>rd</sup> Transportation Committee Meeting to discuss the transportation and parking situation around the arena and that Ted Pullen would be at the March 17<sup>th</sup> Transportation Committee Meeting to give an update on stimulus funds.

Without objection, the meeting adjourned at 3:59 p.m.

**\*NOTE: Items sent to the Consent Calendar or Old Business will be heard before the full Council at the Metro Council Meeting on February 25, 2010.**

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